

# FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# CONSUMER ACTIVITY REPORT February 2014

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## Consumer Access to the FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

If you have questions about regulated utility services, you may:

\*CALL the office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at 1-800-342-3552

\*FAX your questions to 1-800-511-0809

\*E-MAIL the FPSC from our Web site at http://www.floridapsc.com, or direct to the

following address: <a href="mailto:contact@psc.state.fl.us">contact@psc.state.fl.us</a>

\*Or WRITE to:

Florida Public Service Commission Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

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Complaints Received & Entered into CATS			565
Electric		52	
Gas		6	
LifeLine		6	
Relay		0	
Pay Telephone		1	
Water & Wastewater		14	
Non-certificated Company Complaints Logged		0	
Electric	0		
Gas	0		
Telecommunications	0		
Water/Wastewater	0		
Industry Unknown	0		
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)		415	
Electric	405		
Gas	10		
Telecommunications	0		
Water/Wastewater	0		
E-Transfers (E-mails sent to Utilities from the PSC Web site)		9	
Electric	8		
Gas	1		
Telecommunications	0		
Water/Wastewater	0		
Cases Received / Closed Under 3 Day Rule		62	
Electric	62		
Gas	0		
Telecommunications	0		
Water / Wastewater	0		
Information Requests Received & Entered into CATS			1,859
Total New Cases Received & Entered into CATS			2,4

2,424

How Cases Were Received	Complaints	Information Requests	Total Cases
Phone	506	1,647	2,153
Mail	6	14	20
Internet	52	168	220
Fax	1	30	31
Totals	565	1,859	2,424

#### **Cases by Industry**

#### February 2014

	Complaints Logged	% of Total Complaints*	Information Requests Logged	% of Total Information Requests*
Electric	52	9 %	250	13 %
Natural Gas	6	1 %	19	1 %
Telecommunications	7	1 %	929	50 %
Lifeline	6	1 %		
Relay	0	0 %		
Pay Telephone	1	0 %		
Water & Wastewater	14	2 %	94	5 %
Non-certificated Company Cases logged**	0	0 %	567	31 %
Telephone Transfer-Connects (Calls Transferred to Utilities)	415	73 %		
E-Transfers	9	2 %		
Cases Received & Closed by 3 Day Rule	62	11 %		
Total	565	100 %	1,859	100 %

Information provided by Consumer Activity Tracking System(CATS). Includes contacts from phone calls, letters, faxes and the Internet.

\*Figures have been rounded.

**\*\***Non-certificated relates to complaints filed against companies that appear to lack a certificate with the PSC.

### **Complaints Received by County**

# February 2014



Note: County name not available for 25 cases. e.g., complaints received by e-mail, telephone transfer-connects,non-Florida addresess, etc.

### **Electric Companies**

### **Complaint Activity - February 2014**

	<b>Complaints Logged</b>			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
DUKE ENERGY, INC.	6	29	35	59
FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY	2	9	11	18
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	0	0	0	1
GULF POWER COMPANY	0	1	1	1
TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY	1	4	5	12
TOTALS**	9	43	52	91

\*Please see Definitions.

\*\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

#### **Natural Gas Companies**

## **Complaint Activity - February 2014**

	Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
FLORIDA CITY GAS	0	1	1	2
FLORIDA DIVISION OF CHESAPEAKE UTILITIES CORPORATION	0	0	0	1
FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY	1	1	2	2
PEOPLES GAS SYSTEM	1	2	3	4
TOTALS**	2	4	6	9

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## Lifeline Complaints

## **Complaint Activity - February 2014**

	Month	Year-To-Date			
AT&T FLORIDA	4	9			
CENTURYLINK	1	1			
VERIZON FLORIDA LLC	1	2			
TOTALS*	6	12			
*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer					

\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

# **Relay Service Complaints**

#### **Complaint Activity - February 2014**

	Month	Year-To-Date
	0	0
TOTALS*	0	0

\*Does not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer process, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.

# **Pay Telephone Companies**

# **Complaint Activity - February 2014**

		<b>Complaints Logged</b>			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D	
AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTHERN STATES, INC.	0	0	0	1	
FLORIDA PUBLIC TELEPHONE COMPANY	1	0	1	1	
TOTALS**	1	0	1	2	
Please see Definitions. Des not include non-certificated complaints logged, complaints transferred via the telephone transfer-connect or e-transfer rocess, or complaints logged and resolved under the three-day rule.					

#### Water & Wastewater Companies

## **Complaint Activity - February 2014**

	Complaints Logged			
	Service*	Billing*	Total	Y-T-D
EAST MARION SANITARY SYSTEMS, INC.	0	0	0	21
FOUR POINTS UTILITY CORPORATION	0	0	0	1
GRENELEFE RESORT UTILITY, INC.	0	0	0	1
NI FLORIDA, LLC	0	1	1	1
PARK WATER COMPANY	0	0	0	1
PLANTATION BAY UTILITY CO.	0	1	1	1
PLURIS WEDGEFIELD, INC.	0	1	1	1
ROYAL UTILITY COMPANY	0	4	4	4
TYMBER CREEK UTILITIES, INCORPORATED	3	0	3	3
UTILITIES, INC. OF FLORIDA	1	0	1	1
WEST LAKELAND WASTEWATER, INC.	0	2	2	2
WINDSTREAM UTILITIES COMPANY	0	1	1	1
TOTALS**	4	10	14	38

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

**Billing** - A complaint concerning the amount a customer has been billed or any rule or tariff having to do specifically with the billing of the customer's account.

**Case** - A contact that is logged into the PSC's CATS database. A case may be logged in as a complaint or as an information request.

**Complaint** - A form of case that involves a substantial unresolved objection regarding a regulated utility, as it relates to charges, facility operations, or the quality of the services rendered, the disposal of which requires an investigation and/or analysis by PSC staff.

**Complaint Activity** - The total number of complaints logged with regulated utilities or resolved within a given period of time.

**Complaints Logged** - The number of complaints received from customers filed with the utilities.

**Complaints Resolved** - The number of complaints handled by the PSC staff, which determines whether a utility is in apparent violation or apparent nonviolation of PSC rules, company tariffs, or policies.

**Consumer Activity Tracking System (CATS)** - A database system that tracks complaints and information requests filed with the Florida Public Service Commission.

**Contact** - A communication with the Commission either in writing(letter, fax, or e-mail), in person, or by telephone relating to a complaint or an information request that is handled by consumer complaint staff. A contact may be logged into CATS as a new case or it may not be logged as a new case because it is a follow-up to an existing case, is a misdialed call or the caller hangs up during the call.

**Information Request** - A form of case that involves providing facts, reference material or other data but does not involve a substantial unresolved objection by a consumer regarding a regulated utility.

**Service** - A complaint having to do with the delivery of the service provided by the utility, exclusive of billing concerns.

**Telephone Transfer Connect (Warm Transfer)** - A call to the PSC can be directly transferred to the utility in question, if the consumer has not yet expressed his concerns to that utility.